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1. A settlement called Karskiye Vorota is located north of Vorkuta, at a distance of some 40 km from the seacoast.¹ The place was reached by train, by-passing somewhere to the east of Vorkuta. The area containing coal and iron is located to the west of Vorkuta.
2. A winter road (trasa) runs northward from Vorkuta along the side of the railroad from Vorkuta toward Karskiye Vorota. It is made of fir branches covered with soil. When frozen, it can be used by trucks; otherwise in winter it can be used by sleighs; but, during the short summer, it cannot be used at all.
3. A new railroad line was under construction from Karskiye Vorota in the direction of the Urals. The railroad embankment had been completed for the whole length. Rails had been laid for 60 km to the west of the Urals.
4. A tunnel was being constructed through the Urals. The railroad embankment to the east of the Urals was said to be complete, or at least partly completed. It was also said by prisoners that a prison camp is located every kilometer along the new railroad line.
5. The 501st Group of German PWs was working on the railroad line somewhere near Yakutsk.

1. [] Comment: The settlement, Karskiye Vorota, cannot be located on available maps. It is probably located somewhere near the Kara Straits (Karskiye Vorota). []

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